

*How to Be Right with God ~ Part 1*  
*Why God Gave the Law*  
**Romans 3:19-20 ~ October 22, 2017**  
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**I. ONLY TWO WAYS TO LIVE**

**A. EUROPE IN 1517**

**B. LUTHER IN 1517**

**II. THE WRONG WAY TO LIVE**

**Romans 3:19-20**

**A. GOD GAVE THE LAW TO REVEAL HIS  
STANDARD OF ABSOLUTE RIGHTEOUSNESS.  
James 2:10**

**1. The Two Great Commandments Sum Up  
God's Absolute Standard.  
Matthew 22:36-40**

**2. The Ten Commandments Elaborate on  
the Two Great Commandments.**

**3. The Sermon on the Mount Reveals that  
God Judges Us on the Heart level, not  
Just on External Obedience.  
Matthew 5:21-22, 27-30, 48.**

**B. GOD'S LAW CONVICTS US ALL OF OUR  
TRUE MORAL GUILT BEFORE HIM.  
Romans 3:19b-20**

**1. The Law Closes Every Mouth.  
Romans 3:19b**

**2. The Law Makes Us All Accountable to God.  
Romans 3:19c**

**3. Keeping the Law Cannot Be the Way  
to Justification  
Romans 3:20**

**III. OUR UTTER FAILURE TO KEEP GOD'S LAW SHOULD  
DRIVE US TO THE GOSPEL FOR SALVATION.**